



"LO A  
VOICE FROM  
HEAVEN"



MATT. 28:19.

# The Church of God Evangel



MARK 16:15

CLEVELAND, TENN.

GOD & LOVE

## A PRAYER

Oh that mine eyes might closed be  
To what concerns me not to see;  
That deafness might possess mine ear  
To what concerns me not to hear;  
That truth my tongue might always tie  
From ever speaking foolishly;  
That no vain thought might ever rest  
Or be conceived within my breast;  
That by each deed and word and thought  
Glory may to my God be brought.  
But what are wishes! Lord, mine eye  
On Thee is fixed; to Thee I cry!  
Wash, Lord, and purify my heart,  
And make it clean in every part;  
And when 'tis clean, Lord, keep it, too,  
For that is more than I can do.

—Thomas Elwood, A. D. 1639.

THE GROUND OF

EPH. 2:20

1 TIM. 3:15

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"The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much," James 5:16b.

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## Question Box

The Editor

**Question:** If a man is a Christian and a farmer, is it a sin for him to call a doctor when his stock is sick? Is there any Bible for a man to trust the Lord for sick cattle and horses? Please give an answer in the Question Box.—R. D.

**Answer:** The first thought of the Question Box editor was that this question should not be material for the Box, but on second thought, it seemed that something should be said.

In the first place, there is no place in the Bible which shows that it is a sin to call a doctor even to a person that is sick, and if not, certainly it would not be a sin to call a doctor for one's stock. While on the other hand, there certainly is nothing wrong in one consecrating himself and all he has to God and asking God's blessings upon himself and that which he owns. God's promises to man are manifold. In Deut. 7:12 God made a special promise to Israel. If they would hearken unto His judgments and keep them, He would love Israel and multiply him and the fruit of his land, his corn, wine, oil, cattle, and sheep. In verse 14 He says, "Thou shalt be blessed above all people." In Malachi 3:10, 11, God promised a special blessing upon those who gave to Him the tithe of their increase, and said, "And I will rebuke the devourer for your sakes, and he shall not destroy the fruits of your ground; neither shall your vine cast her fruit before the time in the field." God is abundantly able to rebuke the devourers of vegetation and the devourer of animals, therefore it seems to us that it is in order for the child of God to ask God's help and blessings upon himself and all that he has, and this, of course, takes in healing for the body and care for that which one owns.

**Question:** We greatly enjoy the Question Box and feel that we get help from it every time we read it. Will you please explain 2 Peter 3:10-13? When will the heavens be on fire and the elements melt with fervent heat? Thank you.—Mrs. A. S. R.

**Answer:** There are certain phrases and words contained in these verses that should be studied very closely, but to begin with it must first be understood that the Apostle Peter is giving a description of the terrible things that are to come upon people to show them the necessity of being ready to escape. The day of the Lord is described in verse 10 as being a time when the heavens shall pass away and the elements shall melt

with fervent heat, the earth and its works being burned. But again speaking of the day of the Lord, in the 12th verse Peter has admonished that we look for and hasten unto the coming of the day of the Lord; therefore it must be understood that the day of the Lord has two phases. One is the day of His judgments, a day of trials and tribulations upon the earth, which is preparatory to the day of the Lord in which He shall reign until He has put all things under His feet. The 10th verse may or may not refer to the final consummation and complete renovation of all things. There will certainly be a purging of evil in the form of the punishment and destruction of the antichrist and his armies when Christ returns to the earth and wages war against these representatives and cohorts of Satan. It is after this terrible calamity that the child of God is invited to look upon and the picture which is drawn of the reign of Christ is the inviting aspect of the day of the Lord. This beautiful picture is drawn in the 17th verse where a golden promise of the new heavens and new earth wherein dwelleth righteousness is made. The Apostle Paul takes both pictures, that of the great and terrible day of the Lord and the blessed day of the Lord to show the necessity of being diligent, that we may be found of Him in peace without spot and blameless. Verse 14.

**Question:** Is a companion as the right eye or the right hand, if he keeps his family from going to church and Sunday school and won't let them invite Church of God people into the home? I have salvation and know the Lord wants me to be in service.—D. H.

**Answer:** No. The Lord has no refer-

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## Notice

Change of addresses of ministers and workers:

W. E. Raney—Box 941, Nassau, Bah., B. W. I.

### Send Christmas Gifts to Your Girls and Boys Here in Cleveland

You, as fond parents, are already planning Christmas gifts for your children. Of course, your interest is not stopping with the children of your immediate family for you are thinking of your boys and girls—yes, 42 girls and 60 boys—here at the Orphanage Homes.

You have learned long ago that these children are ever grateful for the home, superintendent, matrons, food and clothing you are furnishing, yet, you also know that all boys and girls are almost overwhelmed with anticipation near and at Christmas. Our children here, though orphans, are no exception to the rule and, indeed, you wouldn't let them be.

I am so thoroughly convinced that hundreds of you are just like several who have written to me in the last few days requesting a list of our children's names, so that they may send them presents, that I have prepared several copies, and if you will drop me a card I will furnish you a name list, then you can send presents to the one or ones that you want to.

Pastors, I will gladly give you a list of what we need most if you request it.

Select for your children here just like you select for your own children and you'll make three homes happy, yours, and the Boys' and Girls' Homes here.—Respectfully, J. D. Bright, chairman of Orphanage Committee.

## ON THE JOB

We have a drive on to secure as many Evangel subscribers as we have members. Pray that we may be successful.

### Guess Who!

Last week's picture:  
W. J. MILLIGAN,  
Overseer of Kentucky



# The Difference

*In the Inbred Carnal Nature of  
Man and Temptation*

E. L. SIMMONS, JR.

In the few years we have been in the ministry there has been presented to us at several times the scripture "For as he thinketh in his heart, so is he." It seems that several have been caused to feel that they had backslidden because of a temptation Satan had presented them, so they gave up and went back in sin. They may have fallen had this verse never been called to their mind. Who knows? Still it has impressed us deeply that many do not understand the difference in the carnal nature of man, which a born-again person is dead to, and temptation. Notice, I said a born-again person was dead to the carnal nature and not that the carnal nature was dead to him. Now let us get into our subject.

*Carnal*, "belonging to the flesh in distinction from the spirit. It does not necessarily infer sin, although when definitely contrasted with spirit it sometimes is so intended. It comes from the Latin 'carnis' meaning 'flesh.'" (Cruden's)

Rom. 7:14, 15, gives us one of these examples of contrast between spirit and carnality. Paul says, "For we know that the law is spiritual: but I am carnal, sold under sin. For that which I do I allow not: for what I would, that do I not; but what I hate, that do I." (Read entire chapters 7 and 8.) Paul here shows how a man being born of the flesh is carnal in mind and action. This has been true since the original sin of Adam and Eve in the garden of Eden when they sold themselves and future generations into captivity of sin. Hence Paul and all others of mankind are "carnal, sold under sin." Therefore we (as carnal) have need of that new birth (John 3:3) which makes us a new creation (Eph. 4:21-24) and not apt to the sins of the flesh; that is, carnality. The carnal works against godliness and "is not subject to the law of God, neither indeed can be. So then they that are in the flesh cannot please God," for they are sold unto sin. "But ye are not in the flesh but in the Spirit, if so be that the Spirit of God dwell in you." "And if Christ be in you, the body is dead because of sin; but the Spirit is life because of righteousness." Rom. 8:7-10. Not that we must be literally dead to live after the Spirit, but to be dead to the inbred carnal nature, which is of the body because of sin, and to be alive to the spirit and spiritual things because of our Savior, Jesus Christ, who has redeemed us from the bonds of sin, into which we were sold at the fall of Adam, and are now made to live anew with Him. 1 Cor. 15:

22, "For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ shall all be made alive." Being then in Christ we are no longer under the law and sin hath no more dominion over us, even as it hath not over Christ "who is made, not after the law of a carnal commandment, but after the power of an endless life," Heb. 7:16. Therefore, "we know that whosoever is born of God sinneth not," 1 John 5:18, not that he is immune to sin but being born of God does not sin as a natural action of life as he has been freed from the bondage of carnality and sin, therefore he must be first

## A CONSECRATED LIFE

Take my life and let it be  
Consecrated, Lord, to Thee.  
Take my moments and my days;  
Let them flow in ceaseless praise.

Take my hands, and let them move  
At the impulse of thy love.  
Take my feet and let them be  
Swift and "beautiful" for Thee.

Take my voice, and let me sing  
Always, only, for my King.  
Take my lips, and let them be  
Filled with messages from Thee.

Take my silver and my gold;  
Not a mite would I withhold.  
Take my intellect, and use  
Every power as Thou shalt choose.

Take my will and make it Thine;  
It shall be no longer mine.  
Take my heart; it is thine own;  
It shall be thy royal throne.

Take my love; my Lord, I pour  
At Thy feet its treasure-store.  
Take myself, and I will be  
Ever, ONLY, all for Thee.

—Frances Ridley Havergal.

influenced from that which is without.

## Temptation

Is "the endeavor of the evil one or of evil men to cause a man to commit sin. It is nearly always in this sense that the word 'temptation' is used." (Cruden's) He that is sold under sin and still possesses that inbred carnal nature which is in mankind, has no temptation or need of being tempted as sin is his natural sphere. Some go deeper in sin than others but all not born again of the Spirit do sin "for whatsoever is not of faith is sin." Rom. 14:23. Now temptation is not sin for every child of God is tempted. "Blessed is the man that endureth temptation: for when he is tried, he shall receive the crown of life." Then the reward is not

to be gained through not being tempted but through not obeying that evil one who causes us to be tempted. "Let no man say when he is tempted, I am tempted of God: for God cannot be tempted with evil, neither tempteth he any man: But every man is tempted when he is drawn away of his own lust, and enticed. Then when lust hath conceived, it bringeth forth sin: and sin, when it is finished, bringeth forth death." Jas. 1:12-15. This would seem to contradict 1 John 5:18, "Whosoever is born of God sinneth not," yet the latter phrase of this sentence, "sin . . . bringeth forth death," having a twofold meaning, shows only the truthfulness of this fact in that sin causes death to the new birth which has been consummated in every real child of God. When this death has occurred the carnal nature which was put out takes re-possession of the being which has sinned and his position is worse than though he had never been born again, "for it had been better for them not to have known the way of righteousness, than, after they have known it, to turn from the holy commandment delivered unto them," 2 Peter 2:21.

As is aforesaid, "Every child of God is tempted," but, "there is no temptation taken you but such as is common to man; but God is faithful, who will not suffer you to be tempted above that ye are able, but will with the temptation also make a way to escape, that ye may be able to bear it," 1 Cor. 10:13. Knowing these things let us remember to "be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour," 1 Peter 5:8. "Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you," James 5:7.

## Big Island, Mo., District Fellowship Meeting

The Big Island district fellowship meeting was held at Parma, Mo. We had a big attendance. Rev. B. W. Elliott was in charge. Our beloved state overseer, Brother H. R. Morehead, brought the message. God blessed in a wonderful way. The next district fellowship meeting will be at Caruthersville, Mo., the first Friday night in December. Everybody is invited to come and enjoy the blessings of the Lord. Pray for the meeting that it will be a blessing to lost souls and that people will be saved and filled with the Holy Ghost.—E. E. Rhoades, pastor, Rt. 1, Box 236.



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## GAMBLING FOR CHRIST'S SAKE (?)

FROM earliest times Christianity has had its leaders which have aggressively opposed all forms of chance-taking, and our Christian America was founded by people of this type; but what does the outlook show in this wonderful country now relative to gambling? An article in the *National Prohibitionist* tells us that war or no war, the average American still has an itch to do a little betting—you might call it gambling—now and then. That's the indication from a new survey by the American Institute of Public Opinion, which shows that more than five Americans in every ten, 54 per cent to be exact, say they have made money on the betting line at least once in the last twelve months, or played for stakes in some game of chance.

With an adult population of somewhat more than 80 million men and women, the survey indicates that about 43 million of them have succumbed to the betting or gambling temptation at least once in a year. This within itself might be alarming, but after all, it is not hard to think that more than 50 per cent of our country is non-Christian, that more than 50 per cent of any one country is far from leading a strict Christian life. But one of the things that is appalling is the kinds of gambling participated in according to the findings of the Gallup poll. The survey shows that the commonest forms of gambling are not betting on horses, playing the "numbers" game or taking a spin at roulette, but rather buying tickets to church-conducted lotteries and raffles, playing cards for money at the neighbors' house or slipping a nickel or dime into a near-by pinball or slot machine.

Twenty-four per cent canvassed in the poll said they partook in the church lotteries. The argument in favor of this is that since men have an urge to gamble, this urge might be harnessed and the money used for the furtherance of church work. Some of those who reported that they had bought tickets to church lotteries said they didn't consider that they were engaged in gambling, since the proceeds went to charitable causes. Once again we are confronted with the theory that the end justifies the means, but this certainly is foreign to the teaching of our Lord and the mild, humble, sincere, honest example which He set. One can only do for Christ's sake those

things which are really for His sake and which adorn the doctrine of God or the Savior in all things. Titus 2:10. The doctrine of Christ certainly cannot be adorned in bingo parties or church lotteries of any kind. The church should be and must be, if it is to be a life-saving station, kept free, pure, and above reproach.

## WAR AND THE BIBLE

WITH all of the anti-Jewish and anti-Christian spirit which has been bolstered by the Nazi regime in Germany, the *Protestant Voice* tells us that the Germans are buying more Bibles now than ever, according to an article from Geneva, November 6: "The German public is buying more Bibles and religious books than ever before and the clergy is exercising little, if any, caution in defending from the pulpit the rights of the Christian Church as opposed to Nazi ideology, according to an article appearing in a Swiss publication."

One traveler in Germany said, "The church is the only place where the German of today can still hear a comparatively free, true, courageous word." He further states that he was astonished and rejoiced to see that preachers were not over-cautious, that their preaching was right up-to-date and dealt exclusively with fundamental truths of Christianity.

Just how true these reports are, may be questioned; but when one thinks of the great man Martin Luther and of the teaching of this great reformer which fastened itself upon the masses, it is hard to believe that even the powerful Hitler will be able to stamp all traces of its effects from the German race.

The spirit of Christianity may for a while in any nation be trampled under feet, but once it has been implanted it will rise again. The spirit of freedom likewise may seem for a while completely driven into oblivion, but again the spirit of freedom will rise. Such has been proven true in all of the major countries of the world. So, regardless of the war now in any of the countries where it is raging, and regardless of what seems to be spontaneous and temporary effects, the Word of God will stand, and when the smoke of the battles which are waged against it has all cleared away the Word of God will still remain as firmly fixed as He who spoke it.

## THE SECRET PLACE

There is a safe and secret place,  
Beneath the wings divine,  
Reserved for all the heirs of grace:  
Oh be that refuge mine!

The least and feeblest there may bide,  
Uninjured and unawed;  
While thousands fall on every side,  
He rests secure in God.

He feeds in pastures large and fair  
Of love and trust divine;  
O child of God, O glory's heir,  
How rich a lot is thine!

A hand almighty to defend,  
An ear for every call,  
An honored life, a peaceful end,  
And heaven to crown it all!

—Henry F. Lyte.

## A BEAUTIFUL PRAYER

EVER since the time of Cain, in the time of adversity, calamity and trouble men have begun to call on God. The judgments being abroad in the land—war, disease, and famine—seem to make men to become prayer conscious. In order for this prayer consciousness to be of real worth, it must be backed by something more than fear. There are two kinds of prayer that are worthless; one, the kind that the Pharisee prayed to be heard of men, one that would bring words of praise and admiration from fellow men.

A Church of God minister was once asked to pray at a large evangelistic service, and after the service a lady came to him and said, "Brother, I certainly enjoyed your prayer. It was beautiful." The minister on his return home wondered just what could have been beautiful about his prayer and if, after all, it consisted only of a beautiful flow of words was it really worth while. No, if it was prayed to men, all the reward which would be forthcoming would be from them.

A second worthless prayer is the prayer that is offered only in a time of jeopardy and with no motive other than for temporary help. The Master taught His disciples how to pray in

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# Doing With Our Hands What We Say With Our Mouths 2 Chron. 6:15

By Earl P. Paulk, Second Assistant General Overseer

It was my happy privilege to visit several ministers' conferences of various dates. It was indeed



wonderful, the enthusiasm, cooperation and unity that prevailed in each and every conference. In arranging the program in each state for the ensuing year, as well as I remember, each item of business in every state was passed with a unanimous vote. I can only recall one minister who voted against any measure, and he submitted and made it unanimous. Each state pledged itself to raise all quotas by the General Assembly 100 per cent, and made them a requirement to be on the honor roll; and most of them plan to do far more than they were asked to do by the Assembly.

Now the thing that should concern each minister is to do what he pledged to do in the ministers' conference. If everyone will do as Solomon said the Lord did, and that was that He had fulfilled with His hand that which He had spoken with His mouth, we will see results.

Let every district overseer and pastor maintain the same spirit of enthusiasm that he had in the conference, and do with his hand that which he spoke with his mouth. You know that it is said it takes a strong man to stand alone, and that statement is surely true. It is easy for us to say what we are going to do in the ministers' conference when we are surrounded by a number of our brethren, but how about it when we come face to face with our congregations and no other minister around? Then is the time to show your strength and spirit of enthusiasm.

## West Virginia

My first state visit was West Virginia. There I met with a band of ministers full of fire and "go ye," with a calm but confident leader, Brother B. L. Hicks. He had his state program intelligently arranged. Some of the outstanding things were: They pledged to raise one subscription to the Evangel for every two members. They are determined to win the \$100 again this year. Every minister pledged himself to conduct a revival in a new field this year. The mission spirit was also high.

## North Carolina

From West Virginia I motored across the mountains into the great state of North Carolina. There I met with those courageous and beloved ministers of the Church of God, with their new and outstanding state overseer, Brother E. M. Ellis. The spirit of enthusiasm and cooperation which prevailed is unexcelled. *Missions*—they pledged themselves to raise \$1 per member for foreign missions. *Evangel*—they passed the rule to get one subscription for every four members—at least, to do that much; but I am of the firm belief that they will do far more than this. *Evangelism*—they passed the motion for every minister to conduct at least one revival in a new field this year. *Orphanage*—a well arranged program was prepared in behalf of our orphanage. In fact, so many things were said and done that time and space will not permit me to record them, but I believe this will be one of North Carolina's greatest years as yet.

## Pennsylvania

From North Carolina I went to Pennsylvania, and there was greeted and extended a warm welcome by our esteemed Brother Paul H. Walker and a group of fine Church of God ministers. I found Brother Walker with a well arranged, balanced program, to which his ministers graciously responded.

*Evangel*—they voted to raise one subscription for every three members. *Missions*—the mission program was not neglected. Arrangements were made for a mighty drive for missions. *Camp Meeting*—plans were discussed concerning their camp meeting which was of great interest. I should like to say that they have one of the most beautiful places I have ever seen to have a camp meeting, with wonderful accommodations.

## Maine

From Pennsylvania I took a train for Maine. On arriving there I was greeted by dear Brother Stewart Brinsfield and his wife. We had a gracious ministers' conference in Portland, Maine.

*Evangel*—they pledged themselves to raise one subscription for each member. *Missions*—they agreed to raise not less than \$1 per member for foreign missions. *Evangelism*—an evangelistic spirit prevailed in this conference, as well as all the other conferences. Arrangements were made to open up new works. I found the same spirit of evangelism in the great

state of Maine that we felt in the General Assembly, the Bishops' Council, and the Council of Twelve.

## New Jersey

From Maine I traveled back to New Jersey. Upon arriving in beautiful Atlantic City, I was received by our Brother Lane, the state overseer of New Jersey. He had evidently been thinking much and had everything well arranged.

*Evangel*—plans were arranged to get subscriptions for the Evangel. Those plans were so graciously accepted that New Jersey believes she is going to win the \$100 prize. *Lighted Pathway*—arrangements were made to increase the circulation of the Lighted Pathway. *Evangelism*—much time was devoted to talking about and making arrangements to open up new works. I believe that there are great things ahead for New Jersey.

## Maryland

From New Jersey I went by train to Maryland and there met our precious Brother D. C. Boatwright, the state overseer, and a band of enthusiastic ministers.

*Evangelism*—they passed the motion that each local church is to have at least two revivals this Assembly year and that each local church and its pastor is to hold or sponsor at least one revival in a new field. *Evangel*—it was voted that not less than one subscription for every two members would be obtained. *Camp Meeting*—arrangements were made which make our expectations run high for a great camp meeting. *Missions*—these ministers, together with their state overseer, proved by the discussions and plans to be mission-minded. We are expecting great things from Maryland.

## Virginia

From Maryland I took a train for Virginia. On arriving there I was graciously greeted by Brother Johnson, the state overseer. The conference there was indeed wonderful. Brother Johnson had left nothing undone. He is proving himself to be a real leader. He has a wonderful band of ministers to lead.

*Evangel*—plans were made to bring into effect a wonderful drive to secure subscriptions. *Missions*—the thought of foreign fields was by no means neglected. I believe Virginia will have the greatest mission offering ever known for that state this year. *Evangelism*—it certainly was encouraging to hear those ministers and their state overseer discuss plans to conduct revivals in new fields, to organize new churches, etc.

(To be continued)

# Report from Church of God Bible School

By Zeno C. Tharp, Supt. of Education

The spiritual tide at the Bible Training School is running very high. I believe that we have received more spiritual blessings the first few weeks of this term than ever before. Many students have been saved, sanctified, and baptized with the Holy Ghost. Others have been reclaimed and many have received a definite call for their future life's work. Below are a few excerpts taken from between shouts of victory at the regular chapel service this morning:

"I thank the Lord for just being here."  
—L. R. C.

"I have been praying for two years to come. I am glad to be here. I feel that I am in the will of the Lord. B. T. S. is the best place in the world."—M. W.

"Last night I struck the rock."—E. P.

"This is the greatest place in the world. I had rather be here than anywhere." —C. H.

"I have never received a greater blessing than last night."—S. P.

"I have never felt closer to God than now."—G. H.

"I never in all my life received such a blessing as I received last night."—J. G.

"I have been on the wrong track." (But he got on the right one last night.) —J. B.

"If I live a million years, I cannot praise him enough."—D. T.

"I have been able to get a firmer grip on God and more faith since being in B. T. S."—M. C.

"I have a wonderful feeling in my soul. No one knows how happy I am; I feel good; I am so full I can't talk."—C. W.

"I am thankful that I am in B. T. S. I always thought that B. T. S. would be something like this, but it is far beyond what I thought it would be. This is the

greatest place in the world. There is no place like it. Only one improvement could be made—that we draw closer to God." —C. S.

"I should have been in school two or three years ago. I am in the will of the Lord this morning."—E. S.

"Thank the Lord for the opportunity of being in school. A year ago I was lost in sin; now I am studying His Word to be a blessing."—M. B.

"Not a word in the dictionary could describe how I feel. Thank God for the privilege of being in B. T. S. God only knows what this school means to me. I prayed for three years to come."—G. A.

Before the Assembly the prospects for the school were better than ever before, but as soon as the announcement was made that there would be no Assembly this year, we began to receive letters cancelling applications, and saying they would have no way to come. Therefore, when school started we were afraid that we would not have as many as last year, but new ones have kept coming until our enrollment is not far below last year's. The high school department is far above our expectation; also the college department has enrolled between thirty-five or forty, which is really more than we had expected. The music department has been climbing until we are teaching approximately 1,000 private lessons a month. Many of the local people are taking advantage of our commercial department. We have the largest enrollment in this department that we have ever had.

The new teachers are becoming adjusted to their work, and all seem to be very happy and enthusiastic. Most of the students are doing very good work. We are requiring more from them than ever

before, and feel that there has been a remarkable improvement.

We have been delayed some on our new building because of the scarcity of materials, but the work is going on and the brick is up to the second story. Most of the material is now in sight, and we feel that we can proceed without further delay. We hope to have it completed before the close of school. It will contain twice the floor space of the present administration building. The first floor will be occupied by the kitchen and dining room. The second floor will consist of classrooms; the auditorium will be on the third floor, which will seat at least 1,000, and the fourth floor will consist of music rooms.

We believe that this will be the most profitable term of school in its history.

## District Ministers' Meeting

MT. PLEASANT, Tenn.—It is a great pleasure to me to send a write-up of our ministers' meeting for the district which was held Nov. 12 at Lawrenceburg. God surely was with us in a marvelous way. All the pastors over the district were present. Clerks and Sunday school superintendents each had a nice report of how they were progressing with their work. Also each had the victory with God, with the Holy Ghost as a witness. I have certainly found a fine band of ministers to work with.

Brother Jess Smith, the district Sunday school and Y. P. E. superintendent, was present with a grand report of his work over the district. Lawrenceburg was well represented and is certainly working with their pastor, having placed a nice piano in the church. These people on the Lawrenceburg district surely believe in working for God.

We will have the dedication here at Mt. Pleasant the fifth Sunday in the month, Nov. 30. Everyone pray that God will meet with us. If you want a real feast from God, come be with us. Pray for the Lawrenceburg district.—Roy Dagnan, district pastor, 202 Columbian Ave.

## Editorially Speaking

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outlining for them that which covered the necessary petition of man to his God, and it is that prayer which first acknowledges Him as "our Father;" which acknowledges His lofty estate; which gives Him praise, adoration and glory for His mercy; which looks forward to a kingdom of peace with Him, a time when His will shall be done upon earth as it is in heaven, who forgives in such a way that he can ask and receive the forgiveness of God. This is the beautiful prayer.



Our pilgrim fathers braved the perils of a new country to worship God.



## My Sermonette

FLORENCE SCHUMAKER

"Behold me, behold me," Isaiah 65:1.

Hark to the voice of Jehovah God from the pen of Isaiah. "Behold me, behold me." "Behold the Lamb of God that taketh away the sin of the world" was John's cry—years later. Ah, beloved, have we ever caught the vision of Him, the sinless Lamb of God? Or, if we have, has the vision dimmed? Is there a beam in our eye through, over, under, or around which we cannot see Him? We can only look comprehensively at a single object at a time. The immediate focus of our eyes is limited. Let us gaze upon Him as the center of our soul's attraction. "When we shall see him, there is no beauty that we should desire him." When we shall see Him we shall be like Him. Oh glorious thought, to be like Him the God man, the blessed Son of God! "But soul, dost thou wish to behold me? Dost thou desire it? Stretch forth thine hand and touch my side; behold my hands. Dost thou desire my marks of shame? If not, gaze but a short time at me, for I, like a magnet, will draw all men unto me. My mark shall be placed upon all those who gaze for long upon me. Then consider the object of thine eyes; consider the blood as flowing from thy side and be not faithless but believing, and you will be naught, but He that dwelleth in you." "Look to the Lamb of God, for He alone is able to save you; look to the Lamb of God."

### YOUR EVANGELISTIC PLEDGES THIS WEEK

November 29, 1941

State	Laymen	Ministers	Total
Alabama	1,167	85	1,252
Arkansas	163	20	183
Arizona	43	2	45
Nebraska	5		5
California	63	11	74
Colorado	1	3	4
New Mexico	40	17	57
New Jersey	22	5	27
Maryland	115	13	128
Dist. of Columbia	16		16
Florida	119	56	175
Georgia	1,171	87	1,258
Washington	9	2	11
Illinois	554	40	594
Indiana	81	15	96
Iowa	52	12	64
Idaho	6	2	8
Kansas	110	8	118
Kentucky	395	51	446
Louisiana	506	33	539
Maine	42	9	51
Michigan	71	18	89

Mississippi	263	50	313	Colored Work	68	18	86
Missouri	145	24	169	Foreign Countries:			
Minnesota	6	4	10	Mexico	3	3	
Montana	21	2	23	Jamaica	3	3	
N. Carolina	457	40	497	Canada	1	1	
N. Dakota	57	5	62	Bahamas	1	1	
S. Dakota	59	3	62				
Ohio	634	16	650	TOTAL	10,095	1,013	11,108
Pennsylvania	153	19	172				
S. Carolina	652	102	754				
Oklahoma	208	25	233				
Tennessee	637	34	671				
Texas	448	78	526				
Virginia	582	39	621				
W. Virginia	931	53	984				
Delaware	20	2	22				
Wisconsin	3	1	4				
Wyoming		1	1				

It is with special delight that I have the privilege to open the mail this week while Brother Walker is out of the office and to see the pledges mounting up in numbers. It certainly is encouraging to know that our people are concerned about a world-wide revival, which will be necessary to bring us out of this time of crisis. Let us encourage others to enter this drive with us.—Earl P. Paulk.

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"Holding to His Hand of Love"	Chuck Wagon Gang
"Higher"	Chuck Wagon Gang
"After the Sunrise"	Chuck Wagon Gang
"We Are Climbing"	Chuck Wagon Gang
"Drifting Too Far From the Shore"	Roy Acuff and Gang
"Eyes Are Watching You"	Roy Acuff and Gang
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# Foreign Missions

## Down Mexico Way With the Archers

### A Motor Trip Where Cars Had Never Been

(Continued from last issue)

We had written of our coming, and the news had spread. About dusk people began to arrive on beautiful riding horses, on lazy burros, and scores afoot. The village of some 800 population was only a quarter of a mile away and many came from there. Brethren lived in another village across the two-block-wide river, and a group came from there. One skinny little Indian man arrived riding a lovely horse. Behind him plodded two burros on which rode four children. Behind them all trudged a huge, fat, smiling-faced, barefoot Indian woman, carrying a papoose strapped to her back by a blanket. We visited four other churches in this district, some of them eight or nine miles from their home, and each night they were there, arriving and leaving in exactly the same formation, like a well-drilled army. I concluded that the reason she didn't ride was twofold. She couldn't climb to the back of a horse or burro and the poor brute would have sagged to the ground under the load if she could have mounted. But she seemed one of the most contented of the two hundred odd who came. She had a husband, five chubby children, a nice pole and palm home, several acres of corn, a cow, a horse and a burro—and she had Christ in her heart.

The huts here are not the low Indian huts as we usually see them or imagine them. The home in which we held services that night, and which is the church of that section, is one large room about twenty-five feet by thirty-five, with a twenty-foot-high roof. A coal oil lamp and several candles furnished the light, a table served as pulpit, and some 200 or more people stood for hours, untiring, as the Lord poured out His Spirit upon them. They sang and shouted and danced in the Spirit. We told them of the work of the Church of God throughout the world, then, as they begged for more, we preached a sermon. Several were saved. The night was pitch dark, there being no moon. Like shadowy bandits, they gathered their mules and horses and children and dogs and disappeared into the night, some of them to travel eight and ten miles over ox trails that I would scarcely care to attempt alone in the day time. One of the last to leave was the little

Indian, on his horse, followed by his four small children on two burros, and his fat, barefoot wife, trudging behind with her baby. As the darkness quickly swallowed them, and I thought of the utterly dark rough, muddy, and snake-infested trail that they must follow for seven miles, my heart lifted with thanksgiving to our Lord and Savior, and Captain of the army, who had granted us the privilege of bringing the gospel to a people who will make that effort to get to church. I think oft of us gospel-stuffed Americans, who stay at home if the weather or the preacher doesn't happen to just suit our fancy. I slipped away in the utter darkness of the banana grove and spent a time in thankful prayer, that Mexico, too, might hear the gospel.

The next day, after a delightful swim, with my twelve-year-old son (who is our future Mexican missionary if the Lord tarries) in the clear, warm, swift-flowing future Mexican missionary, if the Lord out on clear sand, 200 feet from shore and shoulder deep, we prepared for the next lap of the journey. Brother Negrete had come into these parts three months previously, leaving his church in Mexico City for two months, and had opened three churches. We had sent Brother Alberto Ortiz, one of Negrete's converts, here to pastor the work, and another of our workers had gone into the district. So now, after three months, we had seven churches in the territory, and all must be visited. They told us that a car had never before gone where these other churches were to the northward of us, but that they thought we could follow the ox-cart trail and make it, and that if we could, we would find a better ox-cart trail leading back to the river ford by another route which would be much better than the one by which we had come in. So we drove the nine miles, through banana plantations, across grassy fields, and through tropical trees and underbrush, crossing another small river ford with a very long steep descent and ascent. But the ground was dry so we made the trip without mishap, passing one of our churches en route, where we took coffee and promised to return the next night for services. Our trail led us up over a grassy hill sprinkled with scattered trees and huts of the village. The scene reminded

one much of pictures we have seen of parts of Africa.

Here a brother, who owns vanilla plantations, had built himself a nice home at the edge of the village, and had recently added a church to the side of his house. Here some three hundred gathered for another glorious service. They rejoiced in the privilege of being part of the great world-wide moving of the Church of God, and thanked us for our visit, the first of an American in these parts.

The next day we had a wonderful baptismal service in the near-by river, and in the afternoon rode on horses some five miles through the densest of tropics to another village, where we have yet another church, and where we held an afternoon service, returning just as people were gathering for our night service. I don't know how our horse felt after jouncing 200 pounds over ten miles of rough and steep trails, but I know how the horse's rider felt, and I sympathized with the horse.

We had ridden through several vanilla plantations en route. The underbrush is cleared away from the thickly growing trees to a height of about eight feet, and covering several acres. The vanilla vine is planted at the base of the tree and winds round and round the tree and out a branch. It produces a long green pod, not unlike our green bean, but several times larger. These beans, when ripe, turn a dark brown, are quite juicy, and smell like rich vanilla. It is quite a profitable business.

The next morning we were to start the dreaded journey back over our weary route toward good roads and civilization, such as it is. And late that night it began to rain. In the morning it was still raining. They told us it would rain like that for several days without stopping, and that I would either have to stay, or leave my car and go out by horse. But I was needed in the Bible School and the office in Mexico City and I needed that car in my business. We had no chains, so we started skidding on our way toward Mexico City and home, some four hundred miles away. The clay soil was as slick as a greased pig, but we made the two miles to the river in the swift time of thirty-five minutes. Here the ox-cart trail made a winding descent of some seventy-five feet, taking some 100 yards

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## • Reports from the Field •

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**NETTLETON, Ark.**—I thank God because He heard someone's prayer. I am able to be up all day and can eat anything I want. I still love the Lord and by His help and your prayers I am going to do better. I am so glad I can go to church. It is about a mile to walk, but I can go. Pray for me that I will get well so I can do something for Him.

We have a fine pastor, Brother Whitt Denson. He is a big help. We had about sixty-three last Sunday in Sunday school. We are trying to finish the church and parsonage. We have a singing school and a good crowd.—G. E. Dillard, Box 235.

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**PARMA, Mo.**—The work here is doing nicely and the Lord is still our helper. We are so happy to have Rev. H. R. Morehead, our highly appreciated state overseer, and Rev. J. R. Lenning, our good pastor, back with us this year.

We are up on our mission and aged ministers' quotas. We are ready to start painting our building. On October 26 we had one hundred in Sunday school. Our tithes for the pastor are averaging one hundred dollars a month. We are looking forward to a revival beginning soon with our state overseer doing the preaching. Remember us when you pray.—Mrs. T. H. Parker.

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**DAISY, Tenn.**—The Church of God in Daisy is going over the top. The Lord is blessing, sinners are praying through almost every service. Brother A. J. Swift, our pastor, is doing some wonderful preaching, some of the best I have ever heard, because it is the Bible and that is what we like at Daisy. We are planning on entering a revival soon and we ask the readers to pray that God will save many souls. Our Sunday school is going by leaps and bounds. The people are all very much interested. Our Sunday school offering for November 2 was \$41.76, with one hundred thirty-one in attendance. We thank the Lord for the interest the people are showing in every department of the church. We are expecting the greatest year we have ever had. We have an order in now for new seats for the church. Our Willing Workers are working faithfully, together with the other departments, to raise money for the seat project. We believe God is helping us. — Leonard C. Jones, clerk.

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**KENNEDY, Ala.**—The Church of God is expecting a great year in the Lord under the leadership of our new pastor

and wife, Brother and Sister J. M. Hartline. They are real people of God. We all surely love and appreciate them. Brother Hartline has given some lectures from his chart and preached some real old time, soul-stirring messages under the anointing of the Holy Ghost, which really revived the saints of God. His power and presence is with us in every service. We are praying and working together in unity and love, expecting God to send us a great revival. Pray for us.—Gertrude Newman.

### My Impression of the Ministerial Conference in Maine

Upon my arrival at Portland, Maine, on the afternoon before the conference September 24, I found the state overseer, Brother J. Stewart Brinsfield, busily engaged, getting ready for another week's work.

The next morning Brother E. P. Paulk, Second Assistant General Overseer, arrived on an early train and soon other ministers, delegates, visiting brethren and friends began to arrive. By the time for the first service to begin I felt I was one of them (this being my first year to work in Maine). The state overseer and the entire ministry seemed of one heart and one soul.

Every proposition which was presented was discussed pro and con and was not only accepted, but enthusiastically accepted. Brother Brinsfield is held in high esteem by both ministry and laity; they seemed so happy that their overseer had been returned to work with them another year, and were inspired to work together to promote the work of the Church of God in Maine. Brother Paulk's messages of instruction to the ministry, of encouragement to the saints, and warning to the wayward and careless, were beyond human explanation. Our hearts were stirred, the need was revealed, and sin uncovered. My, how he did preach the Word. Such messages people hear when only a man like Brother Paulk preaches them. We felt highly honored in having him, this being his first year as a general official.

As the conference closed, I felt surely that God was here and deemed it a privilege to work in Maine, such a sweet spirit of fellowship prevailed.—Ruth E. Justin, 83 Cony St., Augusta, Maine.

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**MT. PLEASANT, Tenn.**—God surely will answer prayer if we have faith in Him. Eph. 1:11, "In whom also we have

obtained an inheritance being predestinated according to the purpose of him who worketh all things after the counsel of his own will."

Thirty-one years ago I took my family, wife and two small boys, and left Mt. Pleasant, Tenn., and went to the coal fields in Kentucky. Little did we know what God had in the future for us. We stayed about seven years in Kentucky. There came a coal strike and I went to Eldorado, Ill. At that time I had four children, three boys and one girl. That was in 1917. Brother D. P. Barnett was conducting an old time, Holy Ghost revival. The whole city was stirred. A certain church that wife and I belonged to had warned its members to stay away from the "Holy Roller" meetings, although we would go once in a while. In 1919 my wife got sanctified and in October of the same year she received the baptism of the Holy Ghost. I still held back, but I was convinced that it was the true and Bible way. Praise the Lord, February 22, 1922, Sunday morning between ten and eleven o'clock the Lord sanctified me. March 31 the same year I was working in the mine. A rock fell on me, pinning me under for about twenty minutes; broke my back in three places, which would have left me an invalid for life if the Lord had not come down with healing in His wings while en route to the Chicago Hospital. I was only there a few days and surprised the doctors and nurses. One doctor said surely it was a higher power than man who undertook for me. This same doctor said when I left for Chicago that I would never live to get there.

In 1937 I locked up my house in Eldorado. My son, who was in the Army at Ft. Knox, met us at Henderson, Ky., with his car and brought us to Mt. Pleasant, Tenn. My wife was coming through on the train with the dishes and bed clothes. We rented two rooms, borrowed chairs, a table and other things from my wife's people. I wrote to Brother M. P. Cross, who was overseer of Tennessee at that time, for the state tent and some help. Wife and daughter, Louise, and I were the only ones who had the Pentecostal experience of the Holy Ghost. On June 29, 1937 we began a meeting with Brother Basil Ellis doing the preaching and Brother Martin and son helping in the singing, with my daughter at the piano. Brother Ellis only stayed a few days. After he left my daughter, wife and I went on a few days with the meeting. Then Brother Willie Lyle came after about three weeks. The meeting broke through and people from other churches began to get the Holy Ghost experience and the devil began to get mad. There was a petition gotten up to stop us. They threatened to burn the

tent. They did cut nearly all the ropes one night, but we kept right on praying and preaching, singing and shouting the victory. After Brother Lyle left, Brother and Sister B. H. Clark, of Wilburn Chapel, came. Sister Clark did some old time Holy Ghost preaching. At the close of the meeting, which ran for about ten weeks, Brother A. V. Beaubé set a Church of God in order with eighteen members. Then we began to pray for a lot and the Lord answered our prayers and gave us a nice lot 100x290. We began to pray for a building. The Lord knoweth our hearts. After we stayed about two winters under a tent, the Lord sent Brother J. L. Byrd, of Chattanooga, Tenn., in 1939. We all began to pray and put on drives and visited several lumber companies. After we raised all we could, we then needed two hundred dollars to make a down payment on the material. Ever since I had been here I had traded with just one man. We didn't know what to do but just trust in the Lord. I told Brother Byrd I believed I could get him to go our note. We went to see him. After hesitating for a while he told Brother Byrd that he couldn't afford to turn us down, that Brother Medley was one of his best customers and he believed we were honest people and he hated to see us go through another winter in a tent. I want to say right here, he was a Church of Christ member, but I am sure the Lord was working it all out, after the counsel of His own will. Praise the Lord! We now have a nice frame building 30x50 and are planning to have a dedication service the fifth Sunday of November (30th). We invite everyone who will be with us that day. Our pastor, Brother Dagnan, has written Brother Bright and I am pretty sure he will be with us and probably Brother Paulk. There will be all-day service, good singing, good preaching. Brother Bright will preach the dedicatory message.—H. L. Medley, 207 Columbia Ave.

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To the Evangel readers in Maryland, Delaware, and Eastern Virginia: Remember, friends, our motto is "Read the Evangel and be blessed." God is blessing everywhere in the state. Souls are being saved and some filled with the Holy Spirit and the prospect in the three states is wonderful, so keep on believing and expect great things. Rev. D. E. Boatwright, Sr., just conducted a wonderful revival at Baltimore, Md. Much lasting good was done; souls prayed through to the real old time victory. He is now in a revival at Easton, Md., and souls are being saved here also. We are expecting to have some wonderfully good news next week, so read your Evangel.

Plans are being laid to begin a meet-

ing at Wilmington, Del., and we believe from all indications, that we will soon have a new church there. We ask all who know the worth of prayer to pray earnestly for the work there. We are writing to all the churches to be sure to sign their pledges and send them in at once. If you failed to get one of the evangelistic pledges, send to J. H. Walker and he will send you one. Remember we are praying for you all and will be with you as soon as possible.—D. C. Boatwright.

#### **L. W. W. B. at Bayou Labatre, Ala., On the Job**

BAYOU LABATRE, Ala. — Dear Saints, I praise my blessed Redeemer for His goodness to me. Thank God for His healing power. He healed my little girl who was sick. She is now going to school.

I was sick one night, had a sick headache and nervous stomach trouble. I got up about ten o'clock. I had just received the Evangel. I laid it on my sick body and paining head and, thank God, He wonderfully healed my head. I then sat up until about twelve o'clock that night without a pain. Hallelujah! I feel His presence in my soul as I write.

God is blessing at this place. We just closed a three weeks' meeting. One was converted and one added to the church, making a total of two new members since I came here.

We are trying to build a new church. We have bought a nice lot. The W. W. B. is surely on the job, working. They raised \$51.00 last month.

Pray for us at this place. We have some opposition but God is more than a match for the devil. We surely thank each of you who prayed for our little girl, also thank you who wrote me. Please remember me in your prayers, also my wife.—Rev. L. J. Potts, Box 135.

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ELECTRA, Tex.—I am glad to sound a note of praise and thanksgiving to our great God for what He is doing for us here at Electra. The first Sunday evening we had our fellowship meeting and dedicated our new church property. The message was brought by our state overseer, Brother Godwin, and sponsored by our beloved pastor, Brother H. N. Bridges, who is doing such a good work at this place, and is also our district overseer. We had large attendance with good interest. Among our visitors from others states was Brother Wood, who brought a wonderful message in the morning, enjoyed by all.

The day was well spent. The church at Electra is progressing. The Willing Workers and Y. P. E. are doing a good work. We have a fine Sunday school with large attendance. The Lord is doing great

things for us whereof we are glad. We feel that this will be one of the greatest years we have ever had and are looking forward to same. The Lord is still saving, sanctifying and filling with the Holy Ghost, healing and adding to the church such as should be saved. Pray for us, that we will go over the top for Jesus this year.—Mrs. O. F. Jarmon, Box 147.

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CANTON, N. C.—We had our annual home-coming Sunday, Nov. 2. The service was well attended. God blessed in the service; the power came down in the beginning and lasted all day. We were privileged to have with us one of the girls' quartets from B. T. S., consisting of Amelia Roseman, Avedine Hipps, Elizabeth Powell and Marie Kinser, who sang many heart-rending songs. While the girls sang several times the power of God would overcome them. As waves of glory would sweep over the audience many were on the floor shouting and praising God while others with their handkerchiefs were seen quite frequently wiping tears from their eyes. The spirit of that home-coming in the skies seemed to be manifested as never before. We had with us most all the pastors on the Canton district. Each one who spoke seemed to be at his very best.

Time and space will not permit the mention of all the good things said and done, but I would like to mention a few. We had a report of the different departments of the church. First, the Y. P. E. ahead of all. We have the best Y. P. E. I have ever worked with. In about five weeks they raised \$106.00 and turned it in on the day of our home-coming to be applied on the furnishing of the living room in the parsonage. The male members of the church gave \$97.00; the L. W. W. B. gave \$86.00; our visiting friends gave \$16.00. The total amount raised was \$305.00.—J. W. Moore, pastor, 42 N. Main St.

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# Requests

## For Prayer

*We receive many requests for the salvation of relatives, loved ones, and friends, also for urgent unspoken requests. There are so many of these requests it is impossible to publish them, but we ask that all take these to heart and earnestly pray that the Lord will answer prayer in their behalf. In order for requests to be published they must be signed.*

### Pray For

Me to be healed of a severe cold, hard hearing, and kidney trouble.—Mrs. Nora Shepherd, Alma, Ga.

God to heal me of pellagra of the stomach; urgent unspoken request; Grandma Mallory to be healed of a nervous trouble; Sister Langdale's eyes to be healed; God to keep a sister who is away and cannot go to church.—Ona Mae Barnes, 41 Grove St., Huntsville, Ala.

Martie Vickers, who is seriously ill with a cancer and who is unsaved, to be saved and healed.—Mrs. G. W. Dunn, Rt. 2, Silver Point, Tenn.

God to undertake in the case of a very urgent unspoken request.—Mrs. Rosa Lee, Rt. 4, Box 253, Live Oak, Fla.

The healing of my body.—Mrs. Mae Dixon, Sebastian, Fla.

The healing of our pastor, W. J. Shumaker, who has stomach trouble.—Sister Ford, 626 McDory Ave., Bessemer, Ala.

The healing of my sister-in-law who has a tumor; my father who was injured in a car wreck to be healed.—Maida Chapman, Rt. 1, Glencoe, Ala.

I am afflicted in body and spirit and have been going through a very hard test, I need your prayers. Also pray for my family that God will undertake for them.—Lula Casto, 3603 Linwood Ave., Columbus, Ohio.

The healing of my body, I have been in bed seven months with T. B.—Willie Hembree, Rt. 1, Douglasville, Ga.

Me to be healed of gall bladder trouble, acid stomach, high blood pressure, neuritis, and malaria. My limbs ache all the

time. My daughter to be healed and saved; my family. This is very urgent.—A member of the Church of God, Crystal River, Fla.

The healing of my mother, Mrs. Maggie Brooks, Central, S. C., she had a light stroke in one side of her face and asks you good saints to pray for her healing.—Mrs. Pearl Billingsley, Central, S. C.

The healing of my afflicted body of high blood pressure; my head; my husband to be healed of bad eyesight and a habit; my mother and children; my mother's health to be completely restored.—Mary Lang, Tarpon Springs, Fla.

The healing of my body, I have been sick several weeks with kidney poison.—Mrs. Lonnie Hicks, Flat Creek, Ala.

My throat to be healed; my husband.—Mrs. I. A. Godwin, 1415 Fairview St., Greensboro, N. C.

God to undertake for me. My car was parked in the safety zone and was hit by another car. I am being held on bond, facing state charges of violation. Pray for our deliverance.—Rev. Leslie H. Orrick, Leadwood, Mo.

The healing of my afflicted body, I don't get to attend church very much.—Lilly Hargis, Helen, W. Va.

God to undertake for a special unspoken request.—Mrs. G. E. Sullivan, Rt. 2, Maryville, Tenn.

The healing of my sister who has T. B.; my mother.—Pauline Roberts, Seaford, Del.

God to undertake for my husband.—Mrs. Nancy Haga, Reisterstown, Md.

The healing of Mrs. Susie Litton, she is in a serious condition.—Henry Litton, Carbon, W. Va.

The healing of my body.—Helen Williamson, Carbon, W. Va.

God to undertake for my husband, daughter and me.—Mrs. E. B. Blount, Hawkinsville, Ga.

God to undertake for my son and his wife, he has been called to report for examination for the draft board and his wife is not in the condition for him to

leave her.—One of His children, E. L. L., Lansing, Mich.

My sister's little grandson to be healed of heart trouble; the healing of a little girl who has been afflicted all her life; the healing of a sick man; my health in general.—Mossie Helmondollar, Box 26, Tams, W. Va.

God to undertake for my husband.—Mrs. W. C. Reeves.

The healing of Brother and Sister A. S. Eason, pastor of the Church of God at Independence, Kans., they were seriously injured in a car and train collision Nov. 11.—Mrs. Wilma Henry, 612 E. Edison St., Independence, Kans.

The Lord to completely heal my afflicted body.—Sister A. C. Thomas, 1202 Wardlaw St., Waycross, Ga.

My mother to be healed; my daddy who is suffering from what seems to be cancer on his face, to be healed. They need encouragement. Their address is Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Holland, Rt. 3, Box 279, West Point, Miss.—Clyde Holland, Star Rt., Mentone, Ala.

Me to be healed of something like goitre on my throat, it chokes me badly at times.—Easter Headley, Rt. 2, Cave City, Ark.

My hand to be healed; my sister-in-law and her husband to be healed.—Mrs. Viola Morris, Rt. 2, Gadsden, Ala.

The healing of Mrs. Willis Wabasso, Fla., who has something like rheumatism or arthritis, also pray for her soul.—S. R. Williams, Sebastian, Fla.

The Lord to heal me of high blood pressure and kidney trouble.—Mrs. Minnie Freeman, Piedmont, Ala.

Pray for me, both soul and body, I need the Lord to heal me and help me.—Mary Farmer, Piedmont, Ala.

The healing of our little boy who is deaf, that God will open his ears and loosen his tongue that he might hear and speak.—Mrs. L. C. Traweck, Eudora, Ark.

Me to be healed of a bad ulcer on my leg.—Lillie Newton, Gen. Del., Sylacauga, Ala.

The healing of my husband, he is afflicted. We trust and believe God will heal and restore his health.—Mrs. Margaret Scheer, Rt. 5, Box 113-B, Bakersfield, Calif.

My children and me to be healed of colds and coughs; my husband to be healed of an ear trouble.—Mrs. S. J. Tilghman, Rt. 2, Box 85, Grenada, Miss.

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## Delkograms

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### IMAGINATIONS

"Charity \* \* \* thinketh NO evil."  
1 Cor. 13:4, 5.

To imagine means to think, suppose, surmise, devise or form a mental image or plan to go by. It is so easy to think evil (or the wrong). Well do I remember



giving folks a good going over one Sunday night on evil imaginations. Next morning I saw an old preacher get off the train with his little suitcase, and at once I came to the conclusion: "I've got company now for a few days (maybe for a week or so)," but the truth revealed he had kinfolks to vis-

it, and he also paid me money I had forgotten he owed me.

Jumping at conclusions is not the best mental exercise.

Some say you had better think to pray; I say you had better pray to think.

Imaginations will puff up, INFLATE. See. Rom. 12:3; Rom. 1:21, 22. Many today are building air castles, walking in the vanity of their mind.

A little boy leading a big dog around was asked, "What kind of a dog is that, son? Is he an airdale?" The little boy said, "No, but HE THINKS HE IS."

Imaginations will discourage, decrease our ability. Don't faint in your minds. See Heb. 12:3. By brooding over your troubles, the hatch will be misery. Don't pity yourself, that's the wrong medicine.

I read of a farmer's wife who had been sick a long time (or thought she had) and finally called her husband and said, "I am going to die, and I want you to get married again. I don't want you to be lonely," etc. He promised her he would, then she said one of the Smith girls would make him a good wife. "They are nice, pretty, and good." Then her husband said, "Yes, I've been thinking that myself, that is, if, if, if you—" Then she gave him a thunderbolt. "You've done been thinking that, have you?" Raising up in bed she shook her fist in his face and said, "Bill Jones, you old lazy hide, I'll have you to know I am not dead yet." She got up, dressed herself, turned off the hired girl, and began doing her own work. Now there you go. w

Think of rest but labor on. Thinking

is far from knowing. Think today and speak tomorrow.

Ill doers are ill thinkers. Charity thinketh no evil. Unto the pure all things are pure, but unto them that are defiled and unbelieving is nothing pure, but even their MIND and conscience are defiled. You cannot saw a straight line with a warped saw, neither can you think right with a twisted thinker. Suspicion is a virtue of a coward.

A good prayer is, "O Lord, wash my mind and heart DAILY in the fountain that was opened for sin and uncleanness. REMOVE ALL THE SERPENT EGGS BEFORE THEY HATCH."

A good occupation is, "Whatsoever things are honest, just, pure, lovely, true, and of good report, think (STAY YOUR MIND CONTINUALLY) on these things."

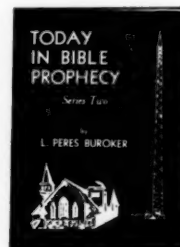
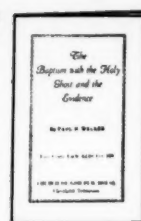
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### THE CHURCH OF GOD AT GRIFFIN, GEORGIA, DEDICATED NOV. 2



The Church of God, located on Palace Street near the Griffin branch of the Thomaston cotton mills, was formerly dedicated Sunday, November 2. Several outstanding ministers of the Church of God were present. They included Rev. Earl P. Paulk, Second Assistant General Overseer, Rev. R. C. Muncy, state superintendent of Sunday school and Y. P. E. work, Rev. J. P. Green, district overseer, and Rev. H. L. Whittington, of Atlanta. Our good state overseer, Rev. A. V. Beaubé, was unable to be with us, but in his absence he remembered us by sending fifty dollars to help out on the church.

The Sunday school began at 9:45 a. m. Rev. R. C. Muncy preached at 11:00 a. m. At noon a basket dinner was served on the church grounds. The dedicatory sermon was preached Sunday afternoon at 2:00 o'clock by Rev. Earl P. Paulk, Second Assistant General Overseer.

We are beginning a revival November 16 with Rev. R. C. Muncy doing the preaching for us. We are trusting God for a great year in Griffin with many souls being brought to the Lord. We request our friends and those who are interested in this new work to pray for us.

This work was started about ten months ago by Rev. H. L. Whittington, of Atlanta, with the assistance of the LeFevre trio, also of Atlanta, with Rev. C. W. Butler becoming the pastor. He worked faithfully until he was changed at the Assembly to the Church of God at Canton. The twenty-four members have been faithful in working, praying and giving, with the assistance of many of their friends of the Church of God. We have a fine building to worship our God in at Griffin, Ga.—Rev. W. M. Beason, pastor, Griffin, Ga.

# Praise and Thanksgiving

## God Is the Great Friend of the Sufferer

SEVIERVILLE, Tenn.—Dear Brothers and Sisters in the Lord: I wish to tell you a part of the wonderful way that the dear Lord touched my body a few months ago. Words cannot tell the way I have suffered. I am sure no tongue can tell the awful pain and nervousness that took hold of my body. While others were sleeping or were at rest, I was tossing and begging God for relief. I am much better now but not at all well. I got so bad that I could neither eat nor drink water to do any good. This was something I never had experienced. I would have to force myself to swallow. I suffered so long and lost so much weight that I could hardly wear the clothes I had been wearing. I had no color and hardly looked like myself. I don't know just how long I was confined to the bed but I was too weak to be up much for some time. Praise God for His goodness and mercy to His unworthy child. I never can thank my loved ones and dear brothers and sisters in Christ enough for the way they cared for me and for the prayers that went up to the dear Lord in my needy time.

Some of the children called the doctor in, had him to see me and tell us if there was something that could be gotten that would cause me to eat and drink. He did not give much encouragement but told us of something. It was God the great friend of the sufferer who came to my relief. Bless His dear name. It has been several weeks now and I can swallow very well. But I surely suffer in different ways yet. My head gives me so much trouble. I have not been able to go to church but only a few times now for a long time. I will surely be so glad to be able to attend services. I told the dear Lord if He would heal me and make me able to be in His work, I would tell it and give Him the glory. I am still in hopes that my body will be healed and His dear name glorified. Please pray for me to be healed. I want to live in such a way that my dear Lord will be honored and glorified.—Margaret Caruthers.

## A Lonely Sister

PRATTVILLE, Ala.—Dear Sisters and Brothers all over the whole world, greetings in Jesus' precious name. This beautiful Monday morning I am glad to write a few lines to tell all that I still love Jesus, our great Redeemer, and want to do all that I can to hold Him up to this dying world. There are so many who con-

fess Jesus who do not know anything about pure religion, because it is not taught to them from behind the sacred desk. They have a form of worship but want to resist the power of God and are afraid of people who have the power.

Sometimes I just wonder why I can't get anyone who can to come and just preach at my house on Sunday evenings. I have tried to get preachers to come and get promises to come but they fail some way. I am one who wants to be in good services. It has been five months since I have heard a good holiness sermon. My heart is hungry to be with God's chosen people, but I seldom ever get to be with anyone who fully knows God. Sometimes I think, "Why am I put way back here where I can't even go to holiness meetings?" It costs so much to get anyone to carry you and I am not able to pay very much as my husband is down with infantile paralysis. He has been down three months and cannot walk.

I want all my sisters and brothers to pray for me, that God will undertake for me and my family and heal our bodies of the diseases we have, if it is His will. God knows all our requests. We have got to move somewhere again. Do pray that God will give us a place close to church, if it is His will. I have six children at home who need to be in services and Sunday school. Pray for me; I need more of God's power and love. I am still praying for the Holy Ghost. Everyone pray for me to lay all on the altar in Jesus' name and fully trust Him for all care for He careth for us.—Mrs. Lillie McCord, Rt. 2.

## Appreciate Sympathy and Prayers of Thousands

Dear Evangel Family: I take this method of letting all who read my request sent to the Evangel in behalf of my wife, who is a victim to a third paralytic stroke when she could neither speak, move nor eat only as it was pumped in her neck, know that we have had the sympathy, prayers of thousands of saints, donations and anointed handkerchiefs from individuals over several states, which were highly appreciated. Wife had her last stroke October 18, 1940. She was helpless and motionless until Brother Heaston and family of Ohio were praying for her when she put her right hand to her head for the first time. She has been able to be propped up in bed at lunch times, can talk until I understand her. She eats soft foods and sleeps well. We want all who read this to still remember us in prayer. We are in our fifties.—Sin-

cerely, Starling Smith, Williamsburg, Ky.

GORDO, Ala.—I praise God for victory over sin, for saving and sanctifying me before it was too late. He has been so good to us in so many ways. I have a great burden on my heart for lost souls.

I praise Him for His healing power. My husband went through the healing service at the Assembly and was healed of a hurting in his neck and side which had been there for some time. We give all the praise to God.

Young people, live for the Lord; it doesn't matter what the enemy says, just turn him aside and trust the Lord. He is our only peace.—Mrs. Leroy Jaynes, Box 161.

PERRY, Ga.—I thank you for sending your evangelist, Rev. Lee Head, of Cornelia, Ga., to the state tuberculosis sanatorium, to preach to us and bring the message out of God's Word. Rev. Head came to us as a remarkable answer to prayer and I am sure God sent him. He preached to us and through his preaching thirty-two of our colored patients have been made to believe and have turned away from unrighteousness, and I am happy to say I am one of those who can say God has blessed my soul. I am happy that I have been healed and am now at home again with my loved ones. Thank God! A number of white patients also have been blessed and saved. Rev. Head is truly a child of God and has meant much to the changing of sinners and in leading them to Christ. Pray for me, that I may continue to get closer to God. I am praying that Rev. Head may live long and continue to go on doing the will of God.—Sister Marie Jordan (col.).

LAGRANGE, Ga.—I praise the Lord for healing me of a bad cough. That was three weeks ago and I am still healed. I'm glad I learned to trust Him.—Mrs. Lillie Robinson, 800 Houston St.

SCOTLAND, Ga.—I promised the Lord if He would heal my little boy I would testify through the Evangel, so here I come with my heart full of praise and thanksgiving to everyone who prayed for him for I know the dear Lord healed him. He also healed my husband one night through my prayers. A few nights ago my brother-in-law came here and was taken seriously ill in a little while. His wife and children just left the room crying, saying, "He's gone." He began to say, "Lord, have mercy," and then I began to pray out loud. We continued to pray and I would encourage him to hold on to the Lord and not give up, so about 1:30 in the night he was relieved. Oh, the Lord blessed me so wonderfully with strength and faith. We are praising the

Everyone pray for this man to overcome the world and live the rest of his life for God. Pray for his complete healing. Pray earnestly for me to be stronger in body and in faith. If any of you sisters in Alma read this, remember me and I would surely be glad to hear from you and how the church is moving on.—Mrs. Lester Johnson.

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Our preachers' meeting began Oct. 10, 7:30 p. m., at Bigtimber, with a nice crowd. There was such a sweet spirit of fellowship felt. The singing started on time with the fire of the Holy Ghost burning in the bosoms of the saints. The Holy Ghost came with showers of blessings.

God-sent ministers, if God puts it on your heart to come to Montana, don't stand back. The good spirit stayed with us until the meeting closed Sunday, the 12th, and we hated to close. God is still blessing. Pray for us in Montana, Canada, and Wyoming.—John Sharp, Overseer, Montana, West Canada and Wyoming.

ence to a companion when He gave the illustration concerning the foot, the hand, and the eye. This scripture is found in Matt. 18:8, 9. It will be noticed that Jesus in giving this illustration is using an assuming attitude. *If thy hand, etc.* Jesus had just finished telling His disciples of the seriousness of offending one of His little ones, and had said that it was better that a millstone be hanged about his neck and that he were drowned in the depths of the sea. In such a manner then, those things which would offend us or cause us to eventually be lost in our entirety, it would be better that we be dismembered of that influence or trouble than to lose our souls in hell. Calamities that come to us are really means of a purification, if we hold on to God, and one does not have to be in a church service to serve God. It is the opinion of the editor that the interroga-

I am making a most earnest appeal to you who read this to please pray for him to be saved, and please pray that God in some way will stay and spare his life to be a living witness and a light for Him and a soul winner. He says if he can just go free one more time he will live a better life. Dear hearts, please fast and pray for this sincere request and appeal.—Mrs. Mary Ming, Box 373, Thomasville, Ga.



## Down Mexico Way With the Archers

(Continued from page 8)

in the descent. At the start of the descent we had to pass the old ox trail which was cut straight up from the river out of the side of the sloping cliff. Our rear end skidded around dropped over the bank into the old cut and there we were, the front wheels resting on the newer road, or rather in the air above it, the rear wheels at a seventy-five-degree angle below in the old cut and the center riding on the edge of the cliff.

We got out of the car in the drizzling rain and sang a chorus of praise unto God, for even in this we felt the thrill of being in the battle with Christ for the salvation of souls. We can't say we were suffering for Christ's sake, because we were not suffering. Though I will admit that the hopeless condition of the car, the eighteen miles of similar road ahead and its terrible wear on the car, were not pleasant thoughts. Then, too, we were happy that we still had our faith—at least part of it.

Several Mexicans had come up on foot, and one of the brothers offered to get his ox team. I looked at the slick mud that a man could hardly walk on without falling, and asked myself how an ox could pull a level load in that mud, let alone lift a heavy car over a cliff. But when the oxen came I felt a slight spark of faith begin to rise, about as big as a mustard seed, for they were the biggest animals of the cow extraction that I had ever seen. They stood level with my eyes. The tugs are fastened with a heavy block across their necks at the horns, and they lower their heads and do their pulling with those huge bull necks. They hooked on to my car with a heavy log chain and those oxen began to heave. But it was no use—elephants couldn't move that car. But the Bible says that faith without works is dead, being alone. And when anything is dead it isn't worth much, unless it's the old man with his insurance. Some of them are worth more to their wives dead than they are alive. So when "works" in the form of those two huge oxen, just dug in a little deeper, planted their feet on the solid ground under that mud and really began to heave, and pulled that car out of there like a toy auto, my faith climbed the thermometer quite rapidly. "Why," I said, "Lord, with your help, and those oxen, we can get out of this country in great shape."

The oxen trailed us to the other river, some ten miles, helping us whenever needed. And, incidentally, we used the oxen this time to reford the wide river. So we arrived in Martinez De Los Torres, eighteen miles from our starting place of the morning, at 6:00 p. m., just ten hours to make the eighteen miles. The rough

narrow road, climbing back up the mountains to the plateau above, seemed like paradise after our experience in the lowlands. So we are back in Mexico City, none the worse for our experience, but the poor Cheve is in the garage getting a much-needed overhauling. Only the Lord prevented our breaking a crank case or transmission housing, for scores of times huge solidly-imbedded boulders whamed with alarming force against them as we bounced around through the mud. The exhaust pipe was so flattened the exhaust wheezed like a winded horse. Should any of our readers feel led of the Lord to put a new car into the mission field of Mexico, we and the old Cheve would both greatly appreciate it, and we assure you we will use horses and burros next time, in the place of a car, in those fields where cars have no business. We have several districts where we can go the first two and three hundred miles on paved roads and then should take the rest by horseback. The work is growing rapidly all over Mexico and our calls to distant fields are numerous. We are turning the responsibility of the Bible school completely over to Sister Archer and her helpers, who are doing a wonderful job in training much-needed workers, and we are devot-

ing our full time to the field work.

Pray for Mexico. The doors are open, the devil is fighting, and we are marching on to glorious victory for Christ and the Church of God.

## TESTIMONIES

**COSBY, Tenn.**—Dear Saints of God, please pray for our church at Middle Creek that God will undertake and give each saint of God the power and real victory in his soul. I also have a special request that I want everyone to pray with me for that God will hear and answer prayer. Fast and pray if you feel led. I have prayed so much for this but I know God is able to answer prayer and help me overcome. Pray for the revival which is now going on.—Callie Bryant, Rt. 2.

**LANSING, Mich.**—I praise the Lord for what He is to me. I praise Him for saving me by the blood of the Lamb and watching over me day by day in my illness. I praise Him for the joy I have in my heart and for His most holy Word which is food to my soul. I want to live day by day for my Lord Jesus Christ and walk in the path of His righteousness. Please pray for my complete healing.—Thelma Aust, Ingham Co. Sanitarium.

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# Reports of Revivals

**SOMERSET, Ky.**—The Church of God at 139 Cotter Ave., Somerset, Ky., just closed a successful three weeks' revival conducted by Sister Bessie Jones, of 815 Emerson Ave., Knoxville, Tenn., Nov. 2.

There were twenty-seven souls saved, nineteen sanctified and eighteen filled with the sweet Holy Ghost. Thirteen went down into the cold watery grave on Nov. 2, 1941, to show the death and burial of sin, and the resurrection of a new life in Christ Jesus. Thirteen were added to the great number of the Church of God, which Jesus bought with His own blood.

We were surely proud of Sister Jones and we think everywhere she holds a revival the people will think she is a woman of God.—Rev. John T. Newton, pastor; Brother Freeman H. Thompson, reporter.

**CHOKOLOSKEE, Fla.**—Dear Evangel Readers, surely the Lord is good to us. Bless His name. Brother Benny Hillhouse came here Oct. 20 and the Lord began a revival which ran three weeks. The mighty and miraculous power of God came down in a wonderful way and souls were made to rejoice night after night. A goodly number were saved and sanctified, six filled with the Holy Ghost, and six added to the church. The meeting came to a close Nov. 9 with sacrament and feet washing and the Lord blessed so sweetly.

Brother Hillhouse is a great warrior for God. Although we are small in num-

ber, we have old Satan to fight just as you do, but thank God He (God) smiled His approval upon us by sending us one of the best pastors in the state of Florida, Brother L. H. Alford, and his wife. He is surely a God-fearing man. Praise the Lamb of God.

Pray for the work at Chokoloskee that it will continue to prosper.—Mrs. Clyde R. Raffield.

One of the most successful and genuine old time, heartfelt and religious revivals has just closed at the East Chattanooga Church of God with at least twenty-five persons receiving definite experiences from the Lord. This revival was conducted by Rev. D. B. Yow, pastor, whose dynamic, spiritual and zealous messages of truth surely met with divine approval. There was not a single service during the entire four weeks which was not attended by the power of God and the Holy Ghost. A few nights no preaching by the minister was necessary as the Spirit had control.

The further reason for the great success and unusual attendance which filled the large church almost to its capacity in every service, is possibly due to the unity of the spirit, fellowship and co-operation on the part of and between the members and pastor. The Spirit of God and old time holiness prevailed. Our hearts were made to rejoice as we sat together in heavenly places. The Lord is still with us and doing great things, whereof we are glad.—John Ledford, 4821 15th Ave., Chattanooga, Tenn.

## In Memory of

### ROBERTS

#### *Another Warrior Has Fallen*

Brother Hartley B. Roberts, of Green Turtle Cay, Abaco, departed this life April 28, 1941; age fifty-two years, three months and two days. He was converted at the age of 21 years and became a member of the Church of God in the year 1914. He was one of the founders of the Church of God in Abaco, and at the time of his death he was leader of the church at Green Turtle Cay. He was a great man in the Church, also in the community. He was beloved and respected by everyone and was always ready and willing to help in any way for the upbuilding of the Church.

*Thou art gone, dear precious brother,*

*Gone from labors to reward;  
But upon that bright tomorrow,  
We shall meet thee with our Lord.*

—Brother William R. Franks, Box 941, Nassau, Bahamas.

### BOZEMAN

Jesse Carl Bozeman, baby son of Rev. and Mrs. Dewey G. Bozeman, Philadelphia, Miss., was born Jan. 27, 1940, and departed this life Nov. 2, 1941; age one year, nine months and five days.

### BARNETT

Our little Sunday school pupil, Joe Lee Barnett, son of Mr. and Sister Jeff Barnett, Graham, Tex., departed this life Oct. 27, 1941; age seven years and three days.—E. Frank Murphy, Graham, Tex.

### MORGAN

Little James Ernest Morgan, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Morgan, departed this life Oct. 27, 1941; age six years.—His grandmother, Mrs. Mary Morgan, Walhalla, S. C.

### DEEBLE

Brother William Deeble, a faithful member of our church circle, departed this life Oct. 26, 1941; age fifty-eight years.—C. H. Long, pastor, Grand Ledge, Mich.

### MORRIS

Brother E. A. Morris passed away Oct. 3, 1941; age eighty-three years.—Mrs. Bessie Cain, Alachua, Fla.

### BRANAM

Ridson Branam, son of Brother and Sister LaFayette Branam, of Kinser Church of God, Cleveland, Tenn., departed this life Nov. 11, 1941; age eleven years. He was a lover of church and Sunday school services and was a regular attendant when physically able. In his dying moment, in the arms of his mother, he looked up and said, "I see God."—Glover P. Ledford, former pastor.

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